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For: A TESTING DEVICE FOR TESTING OR ANALYSING FLUIDS AND A HOLDER  
AND A STORAGE CONTAINER FOR SUCH DEVICES

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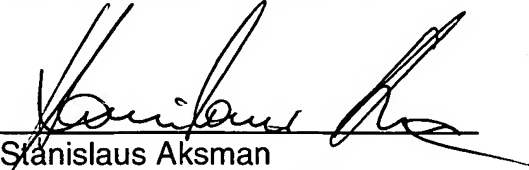
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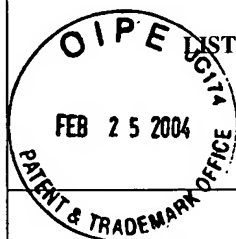
  
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**FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS**

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**OTHER MATERIALS (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)**

6.	EP Standard Search Report dated 6/12/03 in Application DK 2002 01254

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